Senate File 60 - Introduced

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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the coordination of, access to, and
- 2 availability of broadband via fiberoptic network
- 3 infrastructure throughout the state.
- 4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

- 1 Section 1. Section 8B.1, Code 2015, is amended by adding the
- 2 following new subsections:
- 3 NEW SUBSECTION. 01. "Broadband" means a high-speed,
- 4 high-capacity electronic transmission medium that can carry
- 5 data signals from multiple independent network sources by
- 6 establishing different bandwidth channels and that is commonly
- 7 used to deliver internet services to the public.
- 8 NEW SUBSECTION. 001. "Communications service provider"
- 9 means a service provider that provides broadband service using
- 10 fiberoptic network infrastructure.
- 11 NEW SUBSECTION. 0001. "Fiberoptic network infrastructure"
- 12 means the physical infrastructure used for the transmission
- 13 of data via broadband over fiberoptic networks, including
- 14 but not limited to any fiberoptic cable equipment, systems,
- 15 switches, routers, conduits, servers, software, technology,
- 16 base transceiver station sites, or other equipment used to
- 17 transmit broadband communications via fiberoptics. "Fiberoptic
- 18 network infrastructure" does not include land, buildings,
- 19 structures, improvements, or equipment not directly used in the
- 20 transmission of data via broadband over fiberoptic networks.
- 21 NEW SUBSECTION. 7A. "Targeted underserved service area"
- 22 means one or more homes or businesses that do not have
- 23 access to broadband service provided by fiberoptic network
- 24 infrastructure.
- Sec. 2. Section 8B.1, subsection 1, Code 2015, is amended
- 26 to read as follows:
- 27 1. "Information technology" means computing and electronics
- 28 applications used to process and distribute information in
- 29 digital and other forms and includes information technology
- 30 devices, information technology services, infrastructure
- 31 services, broadband and fiberoptic network infrastructure, and
- 32 value-added services.
- 33 Sec. 3. Section 8B.3, subsection 1, Code 2015, is amended
- 34 to read as follows:
- 35 1. The office is created for the purpose of leading,

- 1 directing, managing, coordinating, and providing accountability
- 2 for the information technology resources of state government
- 3 and for coordinating statewide broadband availability and
- 4 access provided by fiberoptic network infrastructure.
- 5 Sec. 4. Section 8B.4, Code 2015, is amended by adding the
- 6 following new subsection:
- 7 NEW SUBSECTION. 14A. Streamline, consolidate, and
- 8 coordinate the access to and availability of broadband via
- 9 fiberoptic network infrastructure throughout the state,
- 10 including but not limited to developing policies and
- 11 recommendations for expanding the installation of fiberoptic
- 12 network infrastructure in targeted underserved service areas
- 13 of the state, facilitating public-private partnerships,
- 14 ensuring that all state agencies' broadband and fiberoptic
- 15 network infrastructure policies and procedures are aligned,
- 16 promoting accountability regarding broadband and fiberoptic
- 17 network infrastructure availability and access, integrating
- 18 broadband with cyber security standards and rules, resolving
- 19 issues which arise with regard to implementation efforts,
- 20 collecting data and developing metrics or standards against
- 21 which the data may be measured and evaluated regarding
- 22 fiberoptic network infrastructure installation and deployment,
- 23 and identifying options regarding the creation of standing
- 24 resources for stakeholders, such as a fiberoptic database or a
- 25 fiberoptic network conduit installation coordination effort for
- 26 state-funded construction projects.
- 27 Sec. 5. Section 8B.9, Code 2015, is amended by adding the
- 28 following new subsection:
- 29 NEW SUBSECTION. 5. An annual report regarding the status of
- 30 broadband expansion and coordination via fiberoptic networks.
- 31 Sec. 6. Section 8D.3, subsection 2, paragraph a, Code 2015,
- 32 is amended to read as follows:
- 33 a. The commission is composed of five voting members
- 34 appointed by the governor and subject to confirmation by the
- 35 senate. Members Voting members of the commission shall not

- 1 serve in any manner or be employed by an authorized user of the
- 2 network or by an entity seeking to do or doing business with
- 3 the network.
- 4 (1) The governor shall appoint a voting member as the
- 5 chairperson of the commission from the five voting members
- 6 appointed by the governor, subject to confirmation by the 7 senate.
- 8 (2) Members Voting members of the commission shall serve
- 9 six-year staggered terms as designated by the governor and
- 10 appointments to the commission are subject to the requirements
- 11 of sections 69.16, 69.16A, and 69.19. Vacancies shall be
- 12 filled by the governor for the duration of the unexpired term.
- 13 (3) The salary of the voting members of the commission shall
- 14 be twelve thousand dollars per year, except that the salary
- 15 of the chairperson shall be seventeen thousand dollars per
- 16 year. Members Voting members of the commission shall also be
- 17 reimbursed for all actual and necessary expenses incurred in
- 18 the performance of duties as members. The benefits and salary
- 19 paid to the voting members of the commission shall be adjusted
- 20 annually equal to the average of the annual pay adjustments,
- 21 expense reimbursements, and related benefits provided under
- 22 collective bargaining agreements negotiated pursuant to chapter 23 20.
- Sec. 7. Section 8D.3, subsection 2, paragraph b, Code 2015,
- 25 is amended to read as follows:
- 26 b. In addition to the members appointed by the governor,
- 27 the The auditor of state or the auditor's designee and the
- 28 chief information officer appointed pursuant to section 8B.2
- 29 or the chief information officer's designee shall serve as a
- 30 nonvoting, ex officio member members of the commission.
- 31 Sec. 8. Section 8D.4, Code 2015, is amended to read as
- 32 follows:
- 33 8D.4 Executive director appointed.
- 34 The commission, in consultation with the director of
- 35 the department of administrative services and the chief

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- 1 information officer, shall appoint an executive director of
- 2 the commission, subject to confirmation by the senate. Such
- 3 individual shall not serve as a member of the commission.
- 4 The executive director shall serve at the pleasure of the
- 5 commission. The executive director shall be selected primarily
- 6 for administrative ability and knowledge in the field, without
- 7 regard to political affiliation. The governor shall establish
- 8 the salary of the executive director within range nine as
- 9 established by the general assembly. The salary and support of
- 10 the executive director shall be paid from funds deposited in
- 11 the Iowa communications network fund.
- 12 Sec. 9. Section 80.28, subsection 2, Code 2015, is amended
- 13 to read as follows:
- 2. The board shall consist of fifteen seventeen voting
- 15 members, as follows:
- 16 a. The following members representing state agencies:
- 17 (1) One member representing the department of public
- 18 safety.
- 19 (2) One member representing the state department of
- 20 transportation.
- 21 (3) One member representing the department of homeland
- 22 security and emergency management.
- 23 (4) One member representing the department of corrections.
- 24 (5) One member representing the department of natural
- 25 resources.
- 26 (6) One member representing the Iowa department of public
- 27 health.
- 28 (7) One member representing the office of the chief
- 29 information officer created in section 8B.2.
- 30 b. The governor shall solicit and consider recommendations
- 31 from professional or volunteer organizations in appointing the
- 32 following members:
- 33 (1) Two members who are representatives from municipal
- 34 police departments.
- 35 (2) Two members who are representatives of sheriff's

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- 1 offices.
- 2 (3) Two members who are representatives from fire
- 3 departments. One of the members shall be a volunteer fire
- 4 fighter and the other member shall be a paid fire fighter.
- 5 (4) Two members who are law communication center managers
- 6 employed by state or local government agencies.
- 7 (05) One member who is an emergency medical care provider
- 8 as defined in section 147A.1.
- 9 (5) One at-large member.
- 10 Sec. 10. Section 423F.3, subsection 6, Code 2015, is amended
- 11 by adding the following new paragraph:
- 12 NEW PARAGRAPH. Oc. Additionally, "school infrastructure"
- 13 includes the acquisition or installation of information
- 14 technology infrastructure. For purposes of this paragraph,
- 15 "information technology infrastructure" means the basic,
- 16 underlying physical framework or system necessary to deliver
- 17 technology connectivity to a school district and to network
- 18 school buildings within a school district.
- 19 EXPLANATION
- The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.
- 22 This bill relates to the availability of broadband access
- 23 via fiberoptic network infrastructure across the state.
- 24 The bill modifies provisions in Code chapter 8B, the
- 25 information technology chapter which creates the office of the
- 26 chief information officer, by adding several definitions to the
- 27 Code chapter. The bill defines "broadband" as a high-speed,
- 28 high-capacity electronic transmission medium that can carry
- 29 data signals from multiple independent network sources by
- 30 establishing different bandwidth channels and that is commonly
- 31 used to deliver internet services to the public. The bill
- 32 defines "fiberoptic network infrastructure" as the physical
- 33 infrastructure used for the transmission of data via broadband
- 34 over fiberoptic networks. The bill also adds definitions for
- 35 "communications service provider" and "targeted underserved

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- 1 service area". The bill changes the definition of "information
- 2 technology" to include broadband and fiberoptic network
- 3 infrastructure.
- 4 The bill adds additional powers and duties for the chief
- 5 information officer relating to broadband and fiberoptic
- 6 network infrastructure. The bill includes coordination of
- 7 statewide broadband availability and access via fiberoptic
- 8 network infrastructure as a mission of the office of the
- 9 chief information officer. The bill also requires the chief
- 10 information officer to streamline, consolidate, and coordinate
- ll access to and availability of broadband via fiberoptic network
- 12 infrastructure. The bill directs the chief information officer
- 13 to submit an annual report regarding the status of broadband
- 14 expansion and coordination via fiberoptic networks. The
- 15 bill also adds the chief information officer as a nonvoting,
- 16 ex officio member to the telecommunication and technology
- 17 commission, established in current Code section 8D.3 and which
- 18 oversees the operation of the Iowa communications network, and
- 19 to the statewide interoperable communications system board
- 20 established in current Code section 80.28 under the purview of
- 21 the departments of public safety and transportation. The bill
- 22 makes corresponding amendments regarding voting members of the
- 23 commission and the appointment of the executive director of the
- 24 telecommunication and technology commission. The bill also
- 25 adds an emergency care provider to the statewide interoperable
- 26 communications system board.
- 27 Finally, the bill adds the acquisition or installation of
- 28 information technology infrastructure, as defined in the bill,
- 29 to the definition of "school infrastructure" for purposes
- 30 of the statewide school infrastructure funding provisions

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31 contained in Code chapter 423F.